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| REQUEST   | Application Number     | 09/034,187       |
| FOR   | Filing Date            | March 3, 1998    |
| ONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  | First Named Inventor   | K. Matyjaszewski |
| TRANSMITTAL   | Group Art Unit         | 1713             |
| Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.  See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).  | Examiner Name          | R. Rabago        |
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wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a. 🛛 Previously submitted Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on May 29, (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on iii. Other b. Enclosed 07/27/2001 GTEFFERA 00000106 09034187 Amendment/Reply 01 FC:179 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iv. Other 2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) റ് 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 11-1110

RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) iii. Other 820.00 b. XX Check in the amount of \$ enclosed Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) Name (Print /Type) 46,993 Signature 7-25-2001 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an

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